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## THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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1. South Vietnam

The Buddhist demonstration in Saigon today--the first in more than a week--was dispersed by police. Much smaller than Sunday's huge Catholic rally, the Buddhist procession featured the usual banners denouncing the Ky government and its works.

In Hué, the standoff between the government and the "struggle" forces continues, but without further violence. Buddhist altars are still in the streets.

Various sources continue to report that Ky is about to make sweeping changes in his cabinet. The ministers most likely to be replaced are those who threatened to resign back in March and April if the government used force against dissidence in Da Nang.

The so-called "baby Turks," a loose faction of young officers, who have wanted strong government action, would applaud such an overhaul if the replacements proved willing to deal firmly with the Buddhists. The latter, however, would probably become more, not less, obstreperous.

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### 3. Soviet Union

[redacted] that the Surveyor and Gemini missions had demonstrated that the US is now clearly number one in control, landing, and docking techniques.

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The Soviet officer noted that the US had maintained constant command and control of the Surveyor to the moment of landing, whereas Soviet control of Luna 9 was only periodic and totally absent during the touchdown phase. He also said that Surveyor's pictures of the moon were technically superior to the Luna 9 shots.

The marshal's remarks are in line with what seems to be an increasingly painful realization by knowledgeable Russians: that whenever the Soviet Union and the US have attempted the same space mission, the US performance has excelled.

### 4. Warsaw Pact

Virtually the entire top command of the Soviet armed forces has gathered in East Berlin with counterparts from East Germany, Poland, and Czechoslovakia. The purpose of this meeting has not been announced, but we believe that Moscow and these key "northern tier" countries of Eastern Europe are attempting to work out a more closely integrated military arrangement in the face of Rumania's desire for a decreased role in Warsaw Pact affairs.

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## 5. Panama

A number of the student agitators arrested last week have been released and are now calling for more attacks against the security forces. Handbills circulating in Panama City are urging the students to keep the pressure on by staging around the clock raids on government installations.

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## 6. Dominican Republic

The full text of Bosch's radio speech this afternoon is not yet translated. A brief summary, however, indicates that he had nothing startling to say.

Bosch said that he and his party accept the election results. He said that he wants no part of a government of unification or coalition but an "honest opposition" which his party will provide for the good of the country.

Bosch ended his speech by promising to speak often.

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